

# **Exhibit 6**

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2 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT.  
3 FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
4 COLUMBIA DIVISION

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5 THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE  
6 CONFERENCE OF THE NAACP

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and

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9 TAIWAN SCOTT, ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF  
10 AND ALL OTHER SIMILARLY SITUATED  
11 PERSONS,

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Plaintiffs,

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Vs. Case No. 3:21-CV-03302-JMC-TJH-RMG

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15 THOMAS C. ALEXANDER, IN HIS OFFICIAL  
16 CAPACITY AS PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE;  
17 LUKE A. RANKIN, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY  
18 AS CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY  
19 COMMITTEE; MURRELL SMITH, IN HIS OFFICIAL  
20 CAPACITY AS SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES; CHRIS MURPHY, IN HIS  
OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN OF THE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES JUDICIARY  
COMMITTEE; WALLACE H. JORDAN, IN HIS  
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SUBCOMMITTEE; HOWARD KNAPP, IN HIS  
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ELECTION COMMISSION; JOHN WELLS, JOANNE  
DAY, CLIFFORD J. EDLER, LINDA MCCALL,  
AND SCOTT MOSELEY, IN THEIR OFFICIAL  
CAPACITIES AS MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH  
CAROLINA STATE ELECTION COMMISSION,

21 Defendants.

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STENOGRAPHIC REMOTE VIRTUAL DEPOSITION

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BREEDEN JOHN

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

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2 August 9, 2022

3 10:00 a.m.

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6 T R A N S C R I P T of the

7 stenographic remote virtual deposition

8 of BREEDEN JOHN, pursuant to the

9 Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, held

10 remotely on Tuesday, August 9, 2022,

11 commencing at approximately 10:00 a.m.

12 (EST), reported by and before Erica

13 Ruggieri, a Registered Professional

14 Reporter, Certified Court Reporter,

15 and Notary Public of the State of New

16 York and New York.

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20 Q. Sir, you mentioned that  
21 there was some areas that  
22 Congressman Clyburn might have not  
23 wanted in his district. Do you  
24 recall any specifics?

25 A. Well, actually I really

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2 don't recall any -- I don't recall  
3 any specific areas he didn't want  
4 and -- if we talked about areas in  
5 terms of he didn't want in the  
6 6th District it was very -- it was a  
7 small portion of the conversation.  
8 It was more about areas that he did  
9 like, the Congressman did want to  
10 see in the 6th District.

11 Q. And were you all presenting  
12 that or what was -- I guess what  
13 grounded the discussion for the  
14 district?

15 A. No, we -- it was a fairly  
16 informal meeting really.  
17 Mr. Tresvant had brought a printed  
18 paper map with him and we had -- I  
19 believe we had the benchmark map up

20 on the projector of the current  
21 districts. That's how we usually  
22 did with any meetings really of the  
23 benchmark and worked from there.

24 Q. Was it a map that you  
25 understood Representative Clyburn's

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2 office had created?

3 A. No. I wasn't sure who  
4 created it. Like I said, I got  
5 there a little bit late so I didn't  
6 know if they had talked about that  
7 before I got there or not, but I  
8 didn't ask who created it.

9 Q. Did you understand any of  
10 the -- Mr. Tresvant? Is that right?

11 A. Yes, Tresvant.

12 Q. Did you understand any of  
13 the suggestions to be requests on  
14 behalf of Congressman Clyburn or  
15 more informal discussions about the  
16 district?

17 A. It was more informal  
18 discussions less so not requests  
19 just kind of maybe a statement of



20 preferences, you know, it would be  
21 nice if X area was included but it  
22 wasn't a specific request.

23 Q. Were you involved at all in  
24 any follow-up with anyone else from  
25 Representative Clyburn's office

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2 after this meeting?

3 A. No.

4 Q. Did you have any other  
5 conversations or become aware of  
6 conversations about any other  
7 suggestions or thoughts from  
8 Representative Clyburn's office?

9 A. No, not that I recall.

10 Q. Were you involved in any  
11 discussions with anyone from  
12 Congressman Wilson's office?

13 A. I was in the room while  
14 Charlie Terreni spoke with, I think  
15 it was directly with Congressman  
16 Wilson or it could have been a  
17 staffer. So I guess I overheard a  
18 conversation but I wasn't really  
19 involved.

20 Q. Was that in -- I assume it  
21 was -- was that in Senator Rankin's  
22 office too?

23 A. Yes, it was.

24 Q. Do you recall how long that  
25 meeting was?

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2 A. That phone conversation was  
3 fairly short. Five minutes at the  
4 most I would think.

5 Q. You mentioned you weren't  
6 part of the conversation. Did you  
7 and Mr. Terreni have any  
8 conversation after it with any  
9 feedback or debrief?

10 A. We just kind of talked  
11 about what they discussed on the  
12 phone and it was -- again it was  
13 Mr. Terreni, Fiffick, Will Roberts,  
14 myself. We were working -- we were  
15 just working on maps and I don't  
16 remember what spurred the  
17 conversation but he called the  
18 Congressman. He called whoever it  
19 was he spoke with, whether it was

20 the Congressman or a staffer I don't  
21 recall exactly but they just talked  
22 about -- about the districts. I  
23 don't recall -- I don't think that  
24 -- I know it was prior to the Senate  
25 releasing their staff congressional

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2 plan and I don't think that the  
3 House had put anything out yet. So  
4 I don't exactly remember what the  
5 impetus was for the conversation.

6 Q. Do you recall any feedback  
7 from either Congressman Wilson or  
8 his office on how CD 2 should be  
9 drawn?

10 A. Yes. I remember their  
11 express interest in Fort Jackson  
12 being included in the 2nd. That was  
13 really the only specific area I  
14 recall.

15 Q. Were you involved in any  
16 follow-up after that initial  
17 meeting?

18 A. No.

19 Q. Did you at all become aware

20 of any additional feedback from  
21 Congressman Wilson's office on any  
22 proposed maps by the Senate  
23 subcommittee?

24 A. No, not that I recall.

25 Q. Were you at all involved in

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1  
2 any discussions with Congresswoman  
3 Mace's office about CD 1?

4 A. No.

5 Q. Do you recall receiving any  
6 feedback from other members of the  
7 Senate staff regarding input from  
8 Congresswoman Mace's office?

9 A. No, I don't.

10 Q. What about any feedback or  
11 conversations with Congressman  
12 Rice's office?

13 A. No.

14 Q. Outside of these members  
15 any other members of Congress or  
16 former members of Congress that you  
17 recall speaking to during the  
18 congressional redistricting process?

19 A. None that I spoke to.

20 Q. Who else were you aware of  
21 that was -- had conversations?

22 A. Andy Fiffick spoke with  
23 Congressman Timmons at one point.

24 Q. Anyone else?

25 A. That's all I remember.

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2 Q. Did you receive any  
3 instructions for how you should  
4 assess or evaluate any of the  
5 feedback you received from members  
6 of Congress in drawing maps?

7 A. Not particularly.

8 Q. Would you consider  
9 suggestions they had of equal weight  
10 to members of the public?

11 A. Yes, for the most part.  
12 The feedback that we got from them I  
13 would say yes for the most part.

14 Q. Were there any political  
15 organizations that you had  
16 conversations with?

17 A. No.

18 Q. Anyone obvious working on  
19 behalf of any organizations?